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DEPAL:

Abstraction Library
Introduction and Walk-through

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Introduction

Using Python for data science applications such as Earth Observations is the standard in academia and industry.

While the Python Language is relatively simple, and easy to learn, Earth Observation analysis uses large number of libraries which can be difficult and time-intensive to learn.

To alleviate and expedite capacity building for non-programmers and intermediate GIS technicians, DEP has implemented the **DEP Abstraction Library (DEPAL)** into the computing hub environment, which enables users to quickly undertake common tasks with:

- **Fewer lines of codes**
- **Sane defaults**
- **Pacific-oriented**
- **Lower Barrier to Entry**
- **Easy to use and learn**



Capabilities

Some examples of the functionalities provisioned by the abstraction library includes:

- Defining “area of interest” (AOI) by Pacific Island Countries national, maritime and administrative boundaries,
- Enabling using custom “area of interest” (AOI)
- Rapidly querying satellite data catalog on images and banding,
- Creating cloudless images
- Undertaking multi spectral analysis e.g.: for vegetation and crops
- Visualising and analysing global Landcover models
- Support functions for Landcover Generation

DEP will continue to extend and simplify the abstraction library based on end-user feedback and enhance it's built-in functionalities.

Recap: Initial Setup

- Login to <https://dep-staging.westeurope.cloudapp.azure.com/> with your provisioned access.
- Open terminal by choosing on the menu: **File, New -> Terminal**
- Clone the DEPAL library repository by copying and pasting one-by-one the following commands and pressing enter:

```
cd
git clone https://github.com/digitalearthpacific/depal
cd depal
```

Recap: Reference Documentation

Documentation of functions would be under depal/doc subfolder named **depal.pdf** in your JupyterHub file browser, and available in print table.

depal (version 0.0.1)

depal.py: Digital Earth Pacific (Abstraction Library)

Modules

cartopy.crs	xrspatial.multiplespectral	matplotlib.pyplot
geopandas	numpy	pystac_client
itertools	planetary_computer	rasterio
matplotlib	pandas	rioarray
		stacksize
		xarray

Functions

```

chart\_global\_land\_cover\(data\)
    # Annual Charting of Land Cover Classes

cleanup\(\)
    # Cleanup Dask Resources

colour\_maps\(\)
    # List Colour Maps

do\_coastal\_clip\(aoi, data, buffer=0\)
    # Clip Coastal Buffer (by 100 Metres Intervals)

get\_area\_from\_geojson\(geojson\_file\)
    # AOI from GeoJSON File (use geojson.io)

get\_cloudless\_mosaic\(aoi, collection\_name='sentinel-2-l2a', timeframe='2019-11-01/2022-11-31', cloudcover=10, resolution=100, max=100, period='yearly', coastal\_clip=False\)
    # median composite - Cloudless Mosaic achieved combining images across time

get\_country\_admin\_boundary\(country, admin\_type, admin\)
    # AOI from Country Administrative Boundary

get\_country\_boundary\(country\)
    # AOI from a Country National Boundary

get\_data\(aoi, bands=\[\], collection\_name='sentinel-2-l2a', timeframe='2023-01-01/2023-12-31', cloudcover=10, resolution=100, max=<built-in function max>, period='monthly', coastal\_clip=False\)
    # Xarray Dataset from STAC by Yearly, Quarterly, Monthly, Weekly, Daily

get\_evi\(aoi, collection\_name='sentinel-2-l2a', timeframe='2019-11-01/2022-11-31', cloudcover=10, resolution=100, max=100, period='monthly', coastal\_clip=False\)
    # EVI - Enhanced Vegetation

get\_gf\(aoi, collection\_name='sentinel-2-l2a', timeframe='2019-11-01/2022-11-31', cloudcover=10, resolution=100, max=100, period='monthly', coastal\_clip=False\)
    # GF - Green Chlorophyll Index

get\_global\_land\_cover\(aoi, name='io-hulu-9-class'\)
    # Get Global LandCover over AOI

get\_lndcover\_mosaic\(aoi, year, bands=\['B02', 'B03', 'B04', 'B05', 'B06', 'B07', 'B08', 'B8A'\], resolution=10, max=10000, cloudcover=10, collection\_name='sentinel-2-l2a', coastal\_clip=False\)
    # Generate Annual Landcover Mosaic with Multiple Bands for ML Classification

get\_latest\_image\(aoi, collection\_name='sentinel-2-l2a', timeframe='2023-01-01/2023-12-31', cloudcover=10, resolution=100, max=100, period='daily', coastal\_clip=False\)
    # latest RGB Image

get\_ndmi\(aoi, collection\_name='sentinel-2-l2a', timeframe='2019-11-01/2022-11-31', cloudcover=10, resolution=100, max=100, period='monthly', coastal\_clip=False\)
    # NDMI - Normalized Difference Moisture Index

```

file:///home/sachin/Projects/depal/doc/depal.html

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```

Updating

DEPAL is frequently updated and enhanced with additional functionalities. Training activities and walkthroughs are also updated and uploaded.

It is a good practice to update DEPAL frequently, by following the steps below:

1. Open terminal clicking File, New -> Terminal.
2. Change into the depal folder by

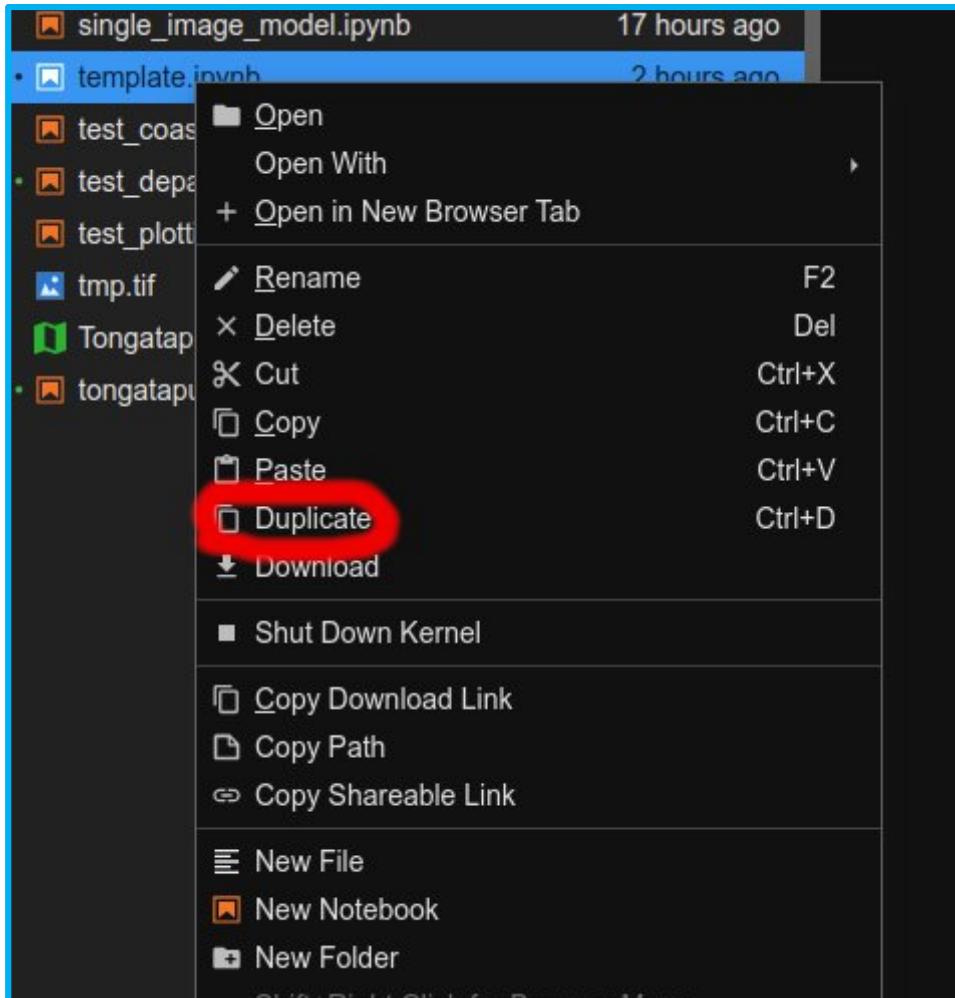
`cd`

`cd depal`

3. Get latest changes, documentation and updated training materials by inputting the following in the terminal:

`git pull`

Starting a new DEPAL Notebook



Under depal folder in JupyterHub, right click **template.ipynb** and select Duplicate.

A new notebook will be created named *Untitled.ipnyb*. This has all defaults pre-populated.

Right click Untitled.inyb and Rename it your *name.ipynb* eg: *sioeli.ipynb*

Edit and add new cells, by clicking the + button only between **dep.init()** and **dep.cleanup()** cells.

Recap: Defining Area of Interest (1)

Defining AOI is a prerequisite to undertaking Earth Observation analysis.

DEPAL allows users to define AOI by regional administrative boundaries per country

Walkthrough:

List Administrative Boundary Types

```
dep.list_boundary_types("Tonga")
```

```
dep.list_country_boundary("Tonga", "Island Group")
```

Get Country Boundary by Admin Type eg: Island, District

```
aoi = dep.get_country_admin_boundary("Tonga", "Island Group", "Tongatapu")
```

Visualise AOI

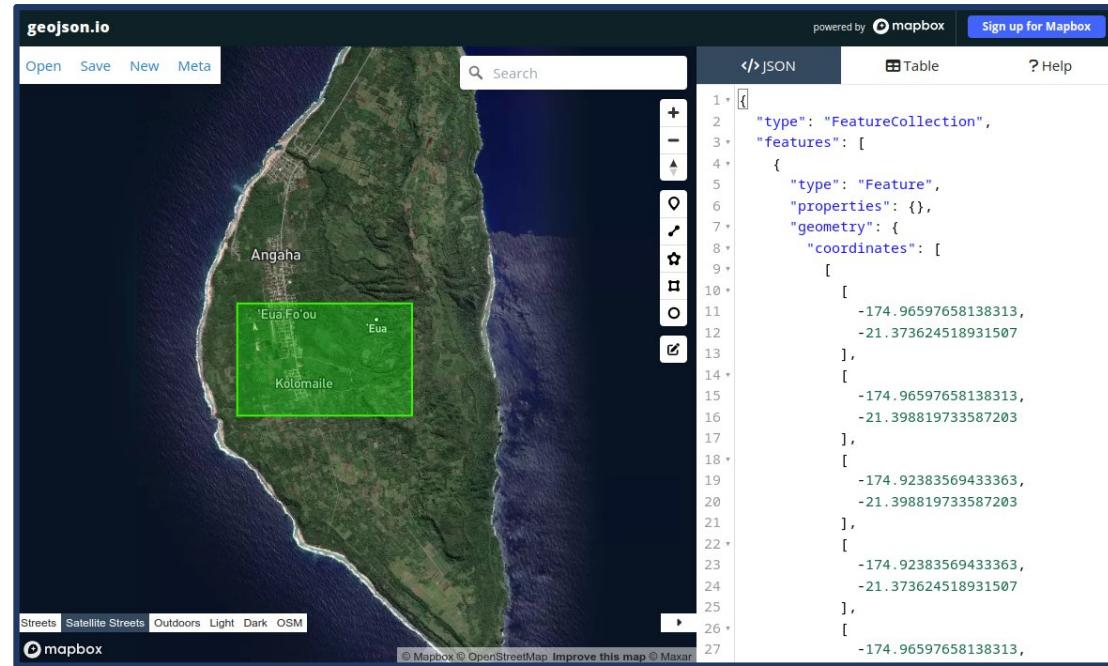
```
aoi.explore()
```

Recap: Defining Custom Area of Interest (2)

Walkthrough

- Open geojson.io in your browser.
 - Zoom to your area of interest
 - Draw a polygon.
 - Copy the generated JSON from the right hand side box.
 - Create a new **text** File In JupyterHub.
 - Copy and paste the JSON data from above in to the file.
 - Save the file as custom.geojson
 - In your notebook, load and visualise the AOI using:

```
aoi = dep.get_area_from_geojson("custom.geojson")
aoi.explore()
```



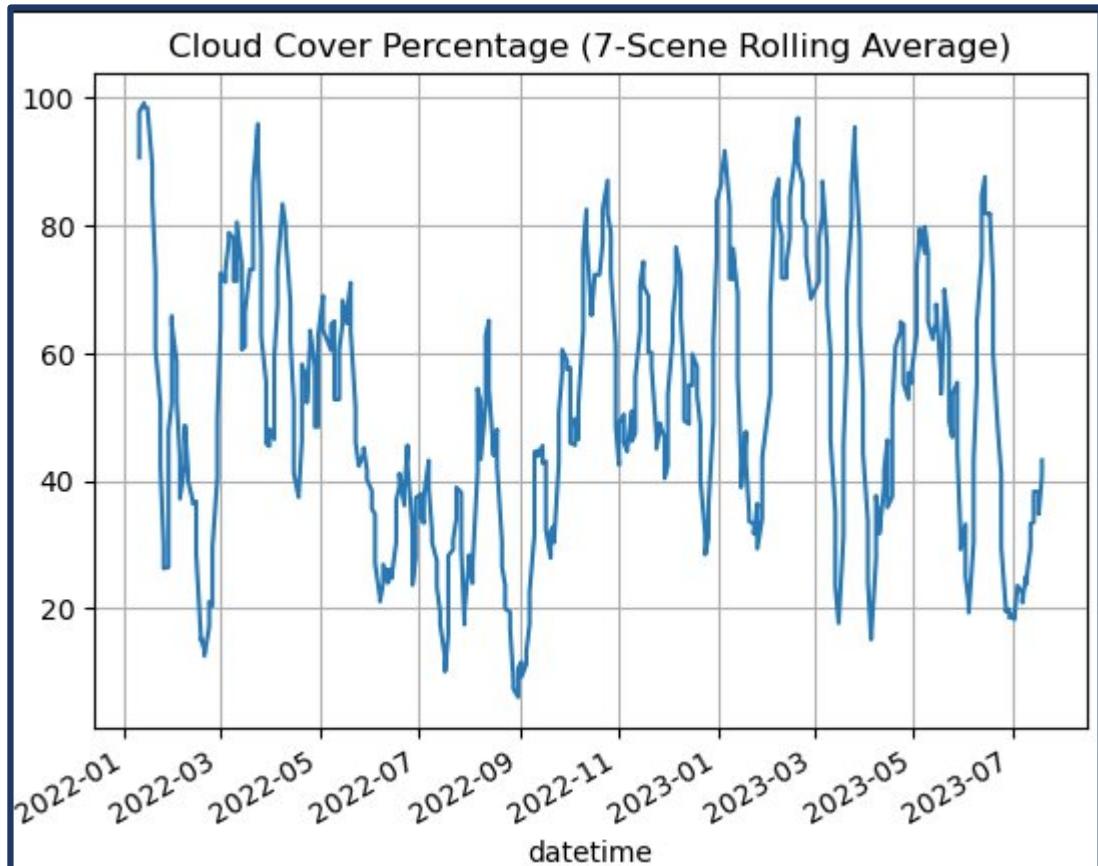
Getting Latest Images

```
data = dep.get_latest_images(aoi, timeframe="2022-08-31/2022-12-31")  
  
dep.visualise(data)
```

Note prevalence of cloud cover and incomplete full capture over AOI.

Plotting Cloudiness

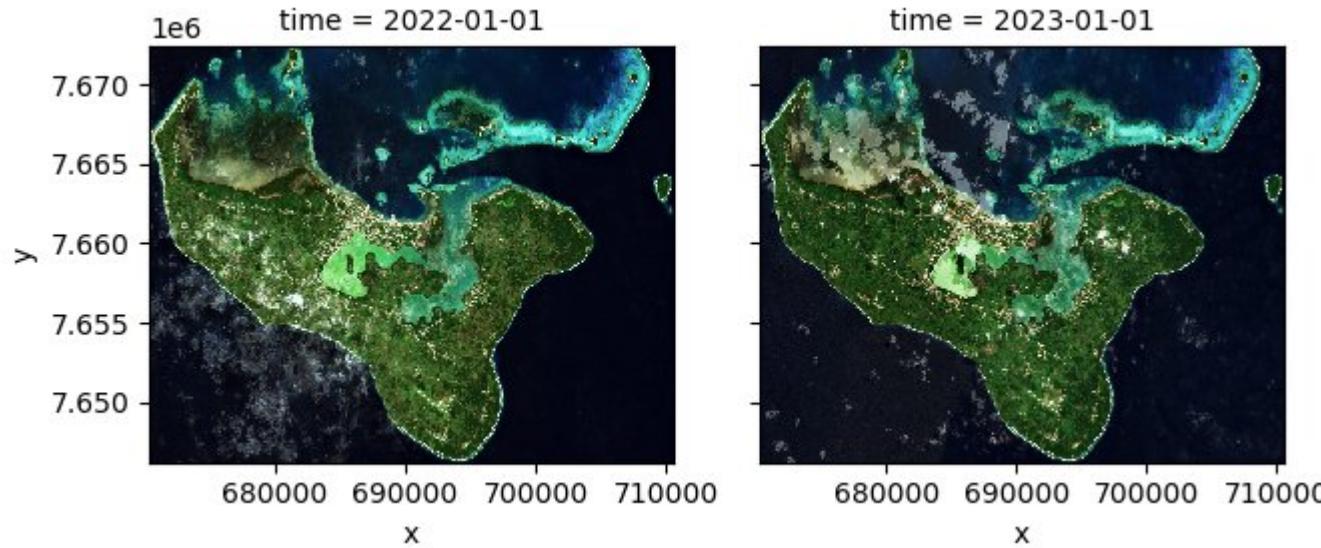
```
dep.plot_cloudiness(aoi, timeframe="2022/2023")
```



Generate Annual Cloudless Mosaic

To mitigate cloud cover and data gap issues, EO products primarily work on cloudless mosaics across a time period, mostly annually.

```
data = dep.get_cloudless_mosaic(aoi, timeframe="2022/2023", period="yearly")  
  
dep.visualise(data)
```



DEPAL Default Parameters and Options

Parameter	Description	Default	Options
resolution	Image resolution of output product in metres/square	100	10 - 500
cloudcover	Minimum percentage of cloud cover over source imagery	10	0-100
coastal_clip	Remove coastal, ocean areas	False	True, False
period	Analysis period of products	monthly	yearly, quarterly, monthly, weekly, daily
max	Maximum number of images/scene to perform analysis on	100	1-10000
timeframe		None	<u>Examples:</u> 2023 2022/2023 2023-01-30/2023-06-30
collection_name	Satellite constellation/sensor to use	sentinel-2-l2a	sentinel-2-l2a, landsat-c2-l2

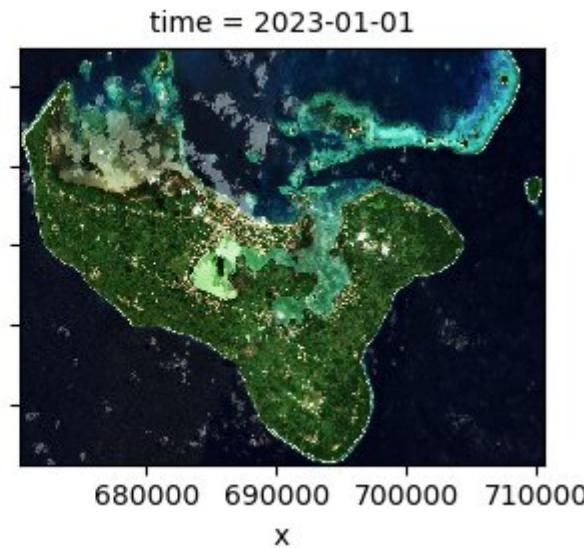
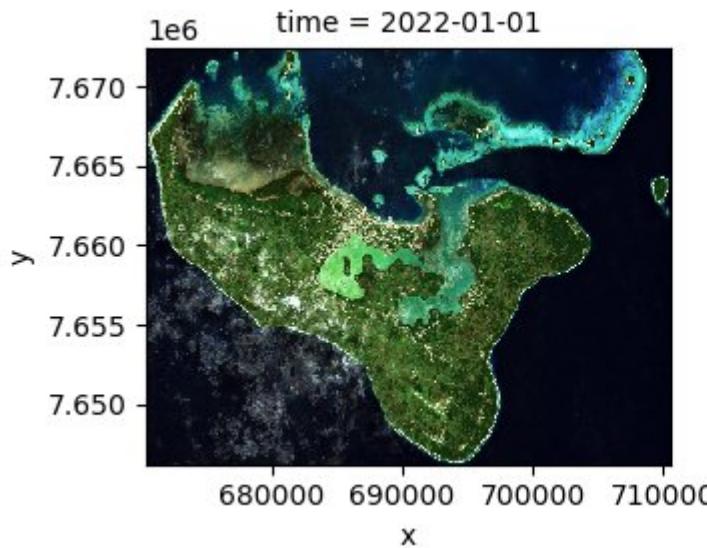
```
data = get_ndmi(aoi, collection_name="sentinel-2-l2a", timeframe="2019-11-01/2022-11-31", cloudcover=10, resolution=default_resolution, max=default_max, period="monthly", coastal_clip=False):
```

Generate High-Res Annual Cloudless Mosaic

Generate highest resolution cloudless mosiac for downloading.

```
data = dep.get_cloudless_mosaic(aoi, timeframe="2022/2023", period="yearly",  
resolution=10)
```

```
dep.visualise(data)
```

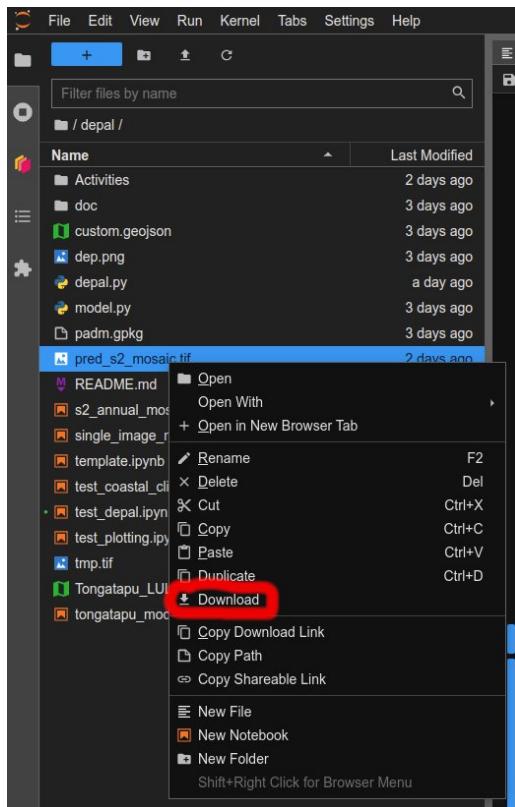


Saving and Downloading Outputs

```
dep.save_multiple(data, "cloudless") You can specify any file name here
```

This will save *cloudless_1.tif* and *cloudless_2.tif* files each for the respective years of 2022 and 2023.

In JupyterHub the files can be right-clicked and downloaded for visualisation and other analysis within QGIS.



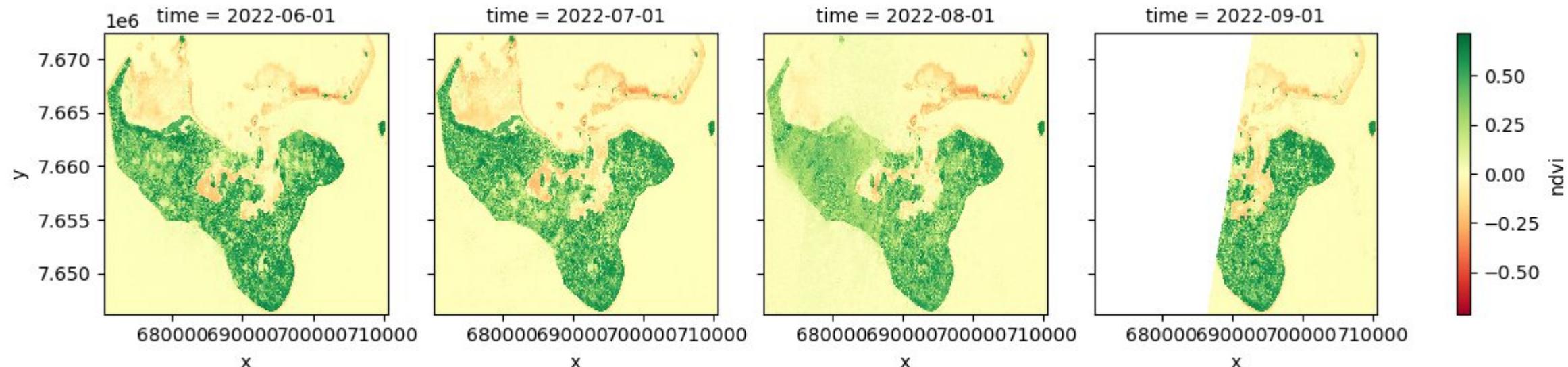
If you have generated annual mosaic for only a single year eg:
2016, you can save single image by:

```
dep.save_single(data, "s2_2016")
```

Generate Normalised Difference Vegetation Index

The **normalized difference vegetation index (NDVI)** is a widely-used metric for quantifying the health and density of vegetation using sensor data.

```
data = dep.get_ndvi(aoi, timeframe="2023-01-01/2023-07-30", period="monthly")  
  
dep.visualise(data, cmap="RdYlGn")
```



Generate Enhanced Vegetation Index

Computes **Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI)**. Allows for improved sensitivity in high biomass regions, decoupling of the canopy background signal and reduction of atmospheric influences. Low-laying vegetation.

Used to identify stress related to drought over different landscapes. Mainly associated with the development of droughts affecting agriculture.

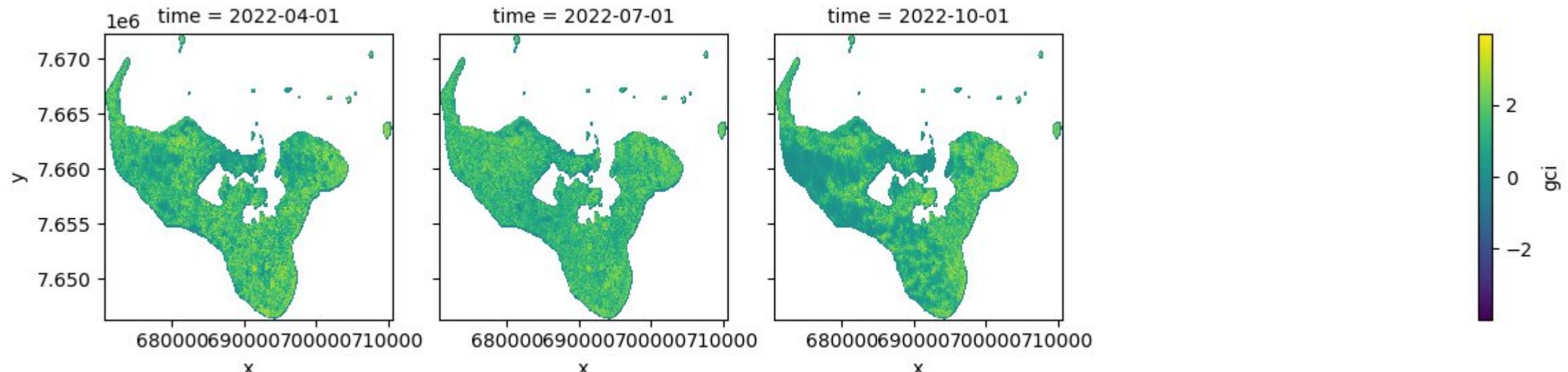
```
data = dep.get_evi(aoi, timeframe="2022-06-01/2023-07-30", period="monthly")  
  
dep.visualise(data, cmap="RdYlGn")
```

Generate Green Chlorophyll Index (Crop Health)

Computes **Green Chlorophyll Index (GCI)**.

Used to estimate the content of leaf chlorophyll and predict the physiological state of vegetation and plant health.

```
data = dep.get_gci(aoi, timeframe="2022-06-01/2023-07-30", period="monthly")  
  
dep.visualise(data, cmap="viridis")
```

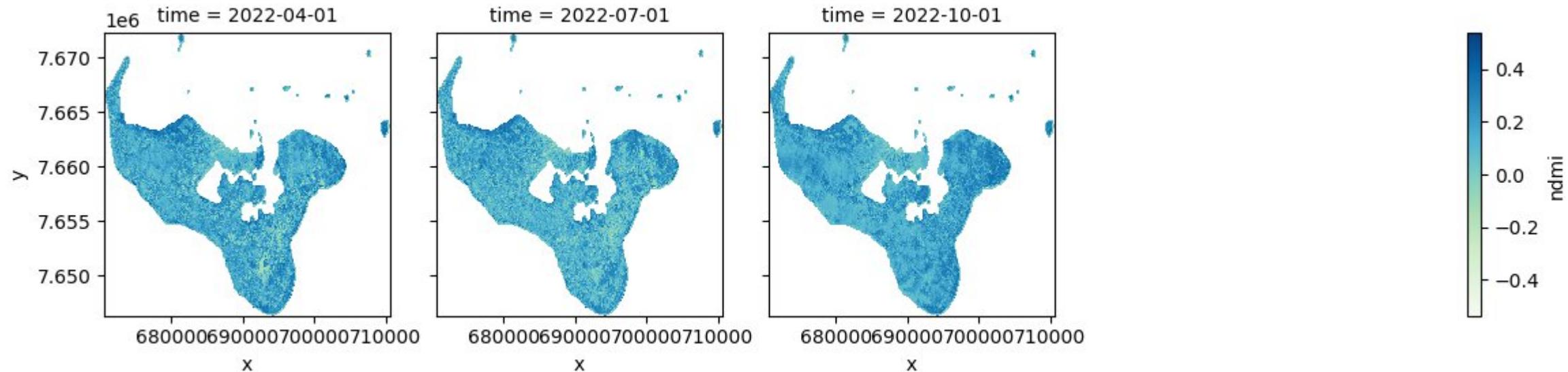


Generate Normalised Difference Moisture Index

Computes Normalized Difference Moisture Index.

Used to determine vegetation water content. For drought monitoring.

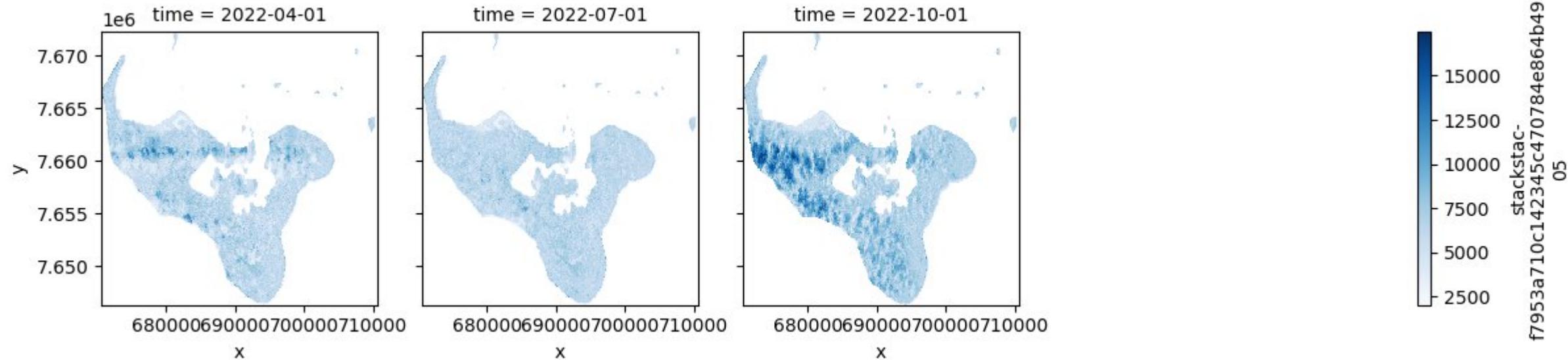
```
data = dep.get_ndmi(aoi, timeframe="2022-06-01/2023-07-30", period="monthly")  
  
dep.visualise(data, cmap="PuBu")
```



Generate Normalised Difference Water Index

Shows changes in land water bodies, wetlands etc.

```
data = dep.get_ndwi(aoi, timeframe="2022-06-01/2023-07-30", period="monthly")  
  
dep.visualise(data, cmap="Blues")
```

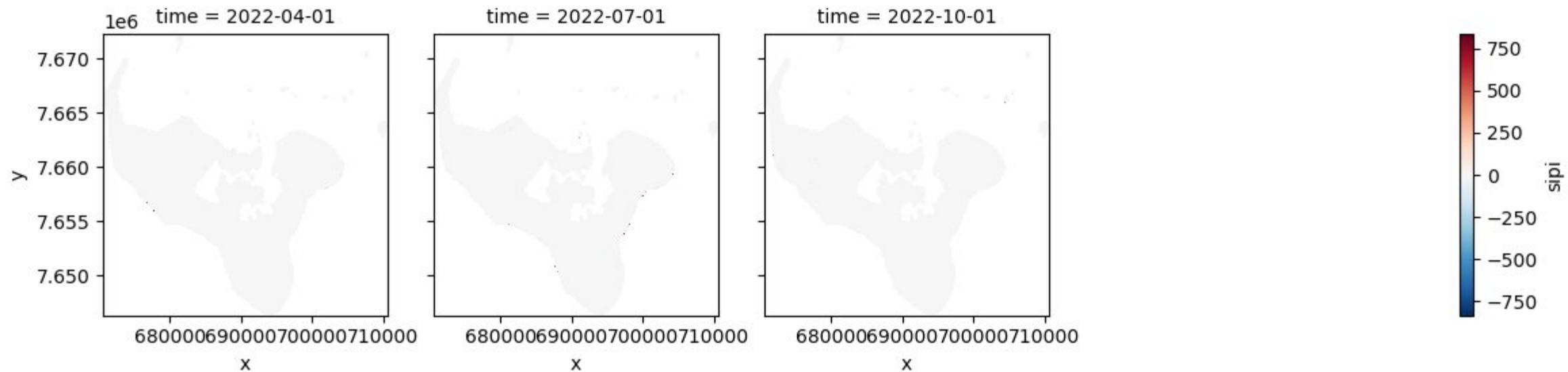


Generate Structural Pigment Index

Computes **Structure Insensitive Pigment Index (SICI)** which helpful in early disease detection in vegetation, and on set of crop diseases.

```
data = dep.get_sipi(aoi, timeframe="2022-06-01/2023-07-30", period="monthly")
```

```
dep.visualise(data)
```



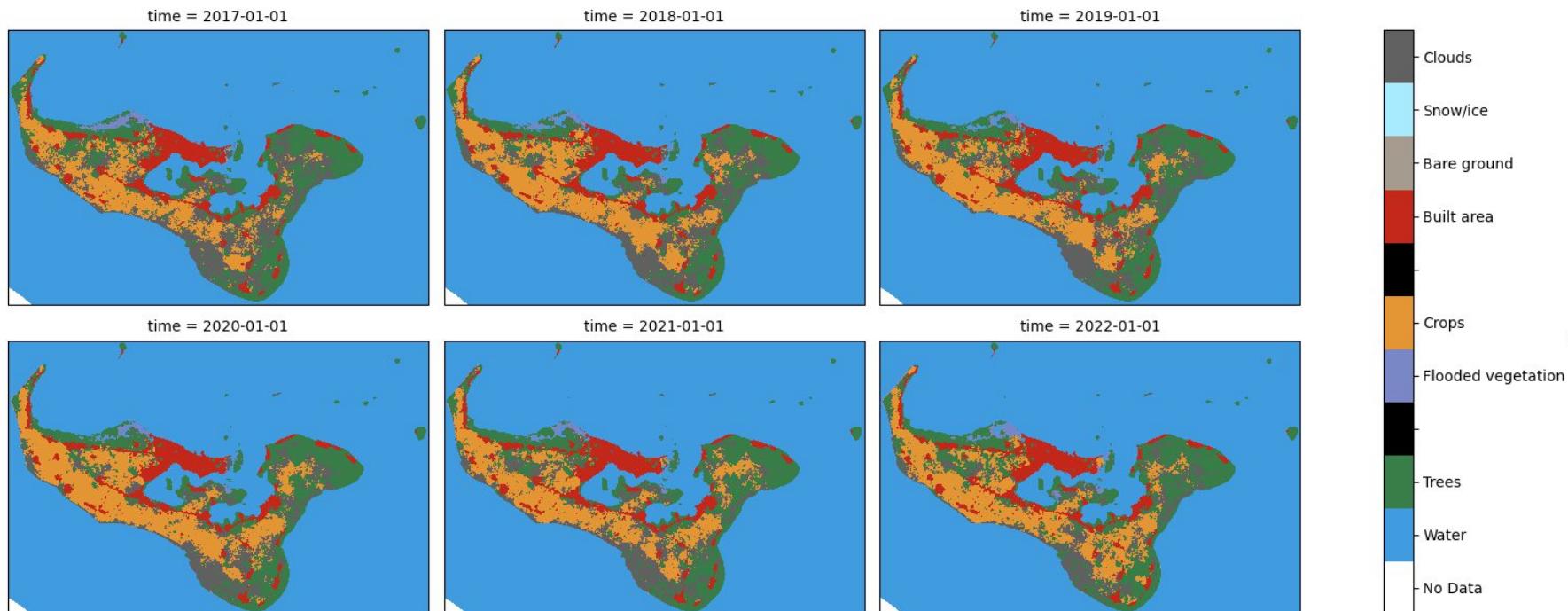
Global LandCover Visualisation

List available Global Land Cover Datasets:

```
data = dep.list_global_land_cover()
```

By default, we will be using ESA 10-class 10m/2 resolution 2017-2022 model.

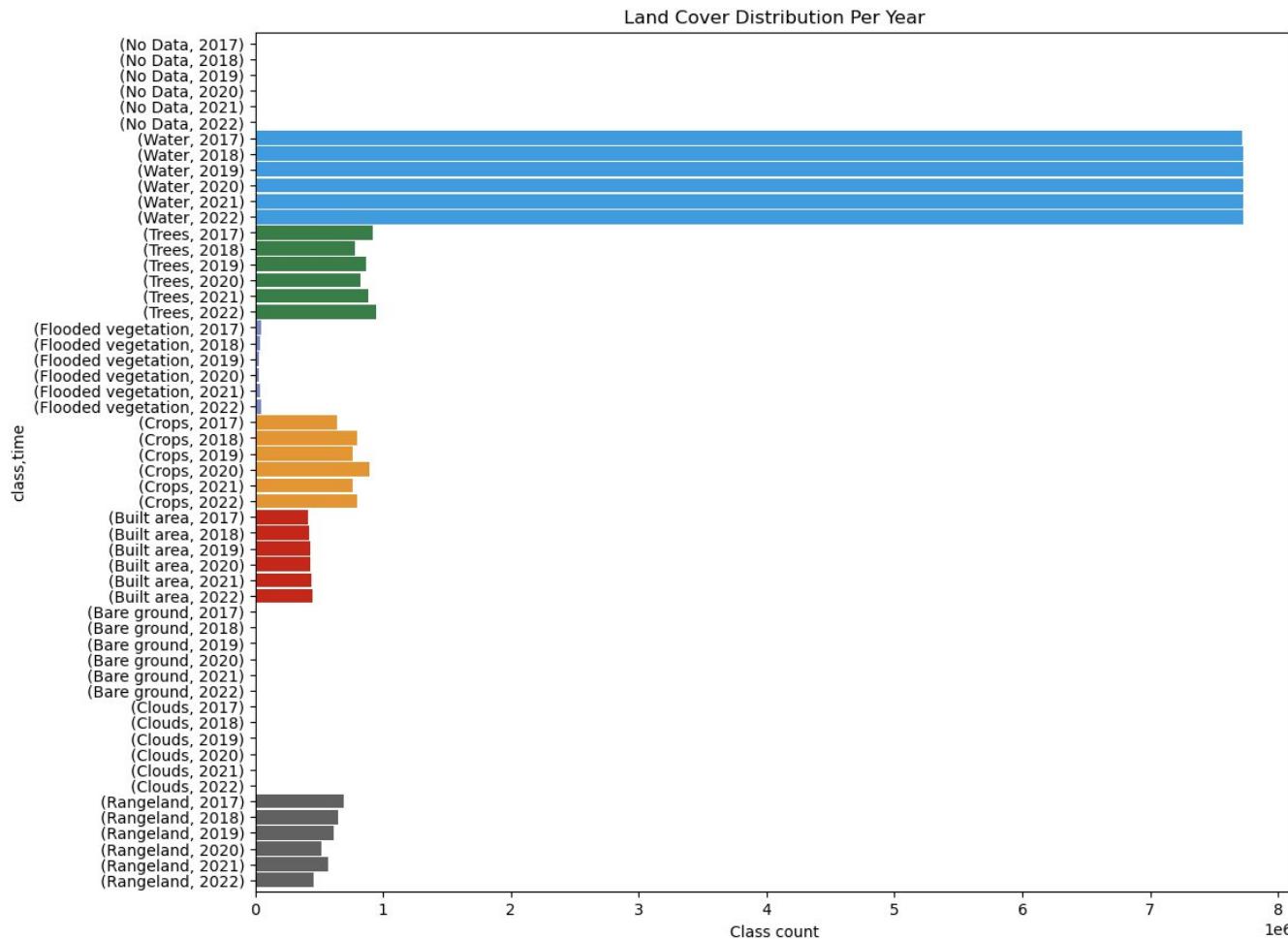
```
dep.chart_global_land_cover(data)
```



Global LandCover Analysis

Undertake change detection across the classes over the model years.

```
dep.chart_global_land_cover(data)
```





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DEPAL GitHub Site

<https://github.com/digitalearthpacific/depal>